

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

There is provided a powder having a base substance usable as a powder for cosmetics, a layer of hydroxyapatite which exists directly
5 on the surface of the base substance and a layer of zinc oxide which exists directly on the surface of the layer of hydroxyapatite, and containing 5 to 30 % by weight of the hydroxyapatite and 10 to 50 % by weight of the zinc oxide based on the total weight of the powder. This powder is suitable for use in cosmetics. As the powder has
10 an improved properties for cosmetics, or adsorbent property of unsaturated fatty acids or sebum, it is also useful for a sebum-adsorbent agent, a body deodorant or the like as well as the cosmetics.